Oregon's Alternate Format Ballot

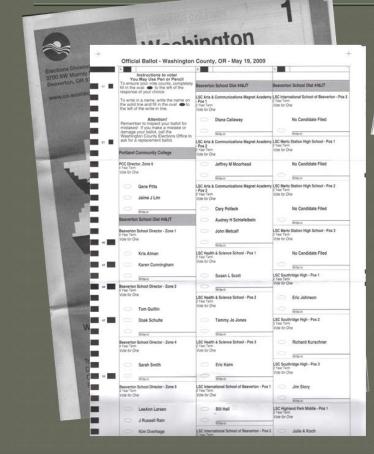
From XP to Surface – and Beyond

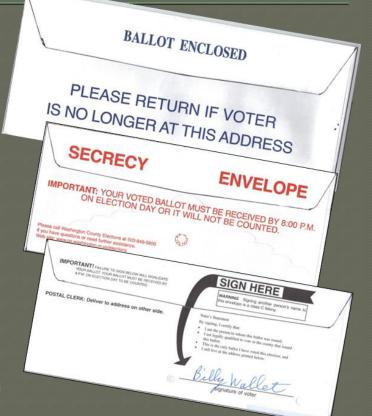
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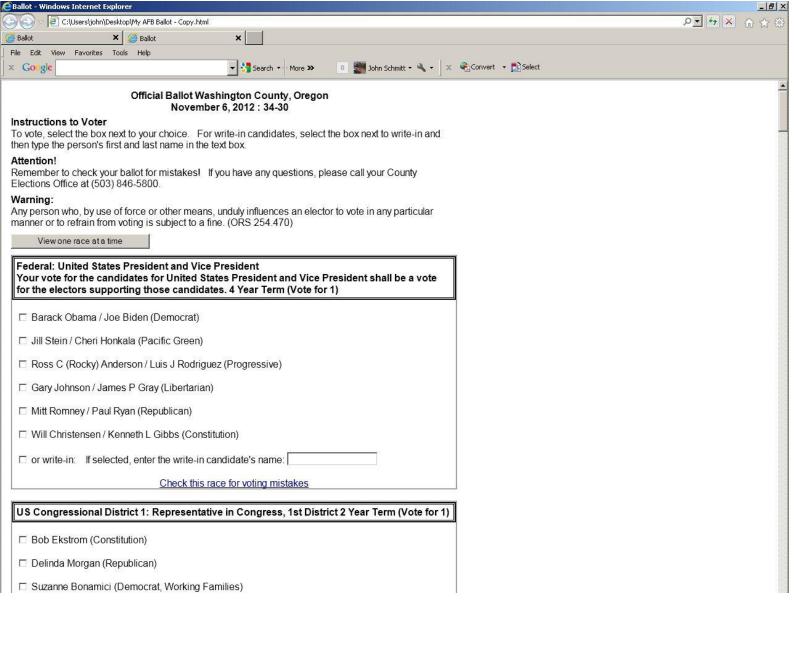
"Most places require the voter to go to the ballot. But in Oregon, the ballot comes to the voter."

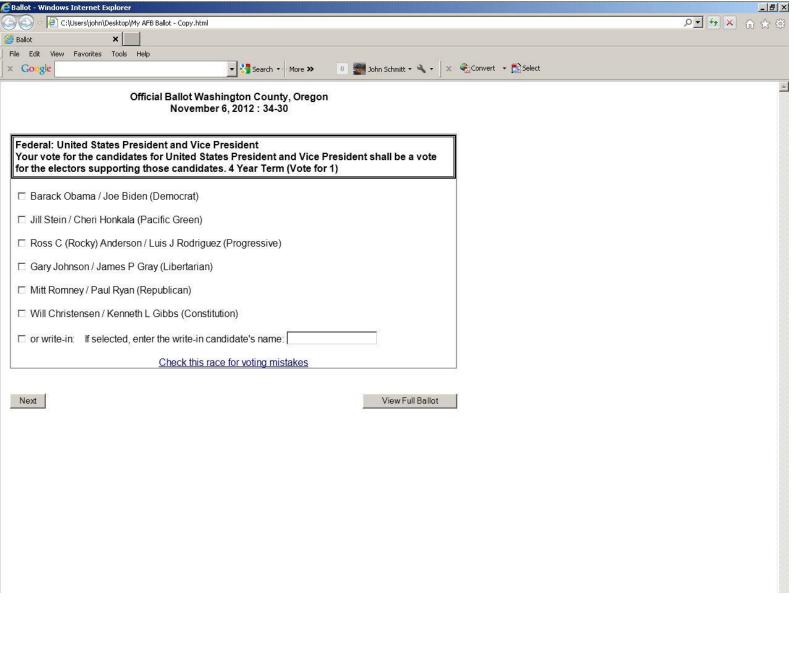
-- Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, 2007.

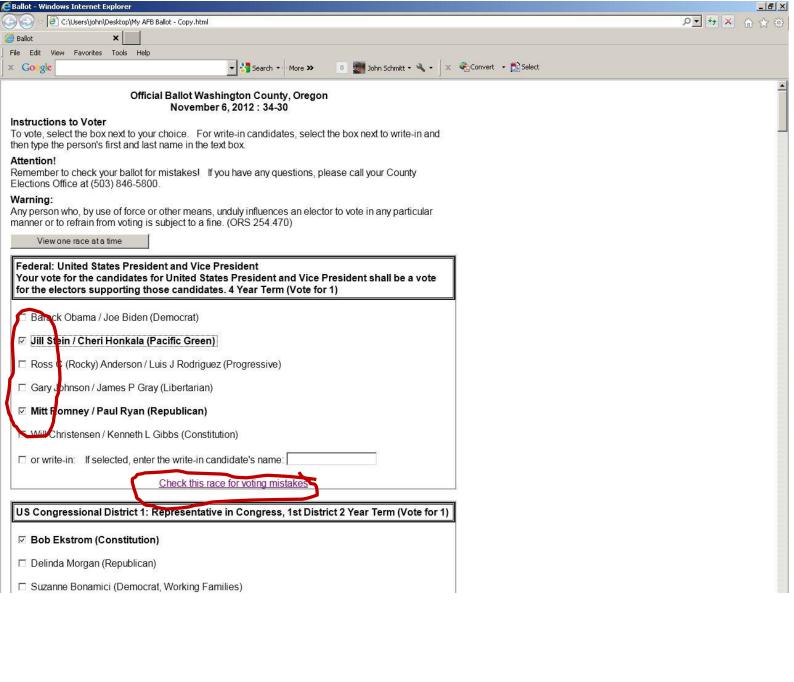
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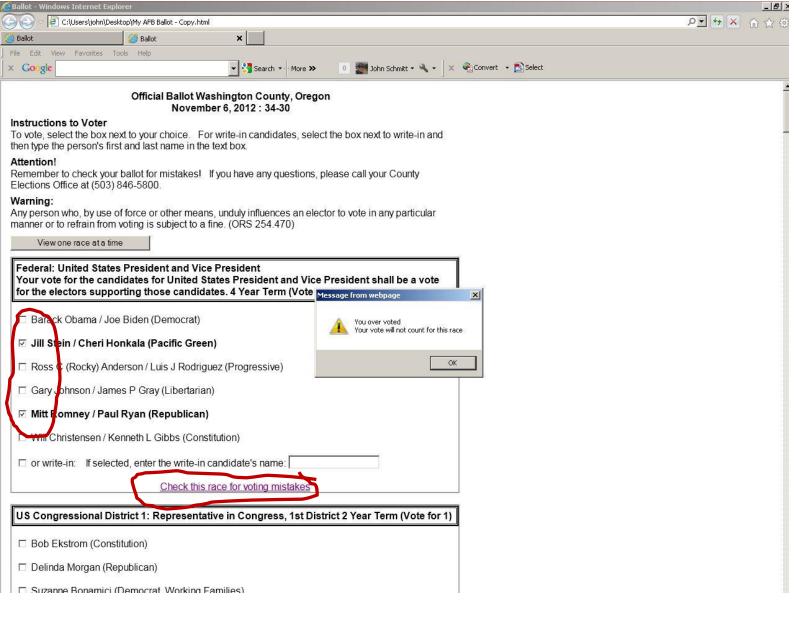


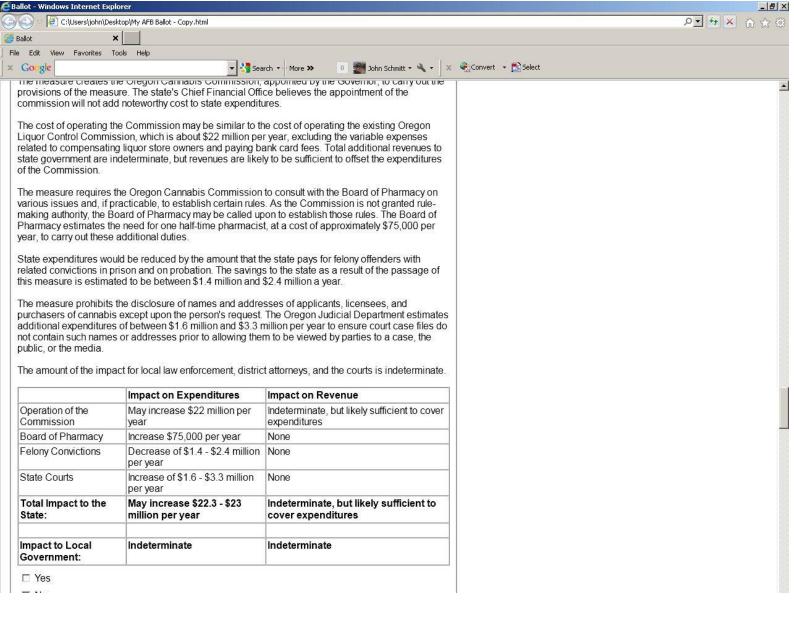


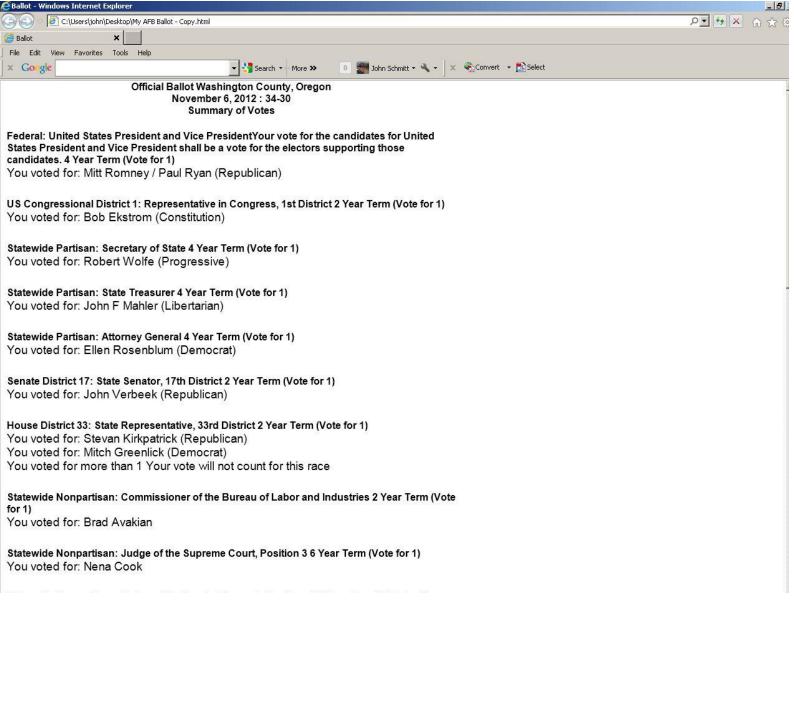








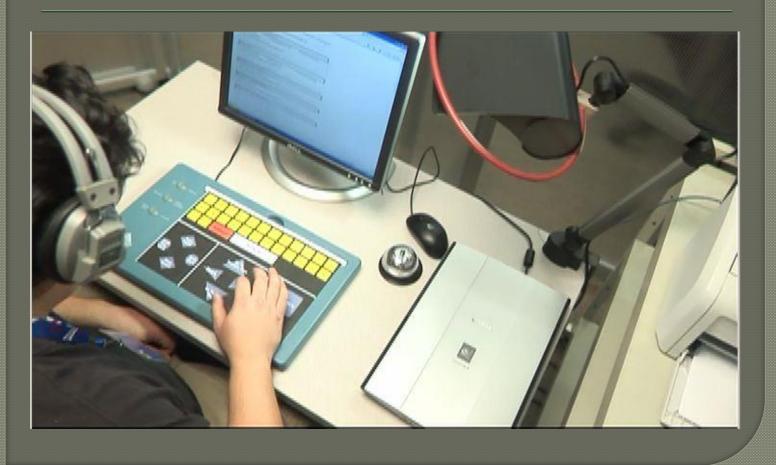




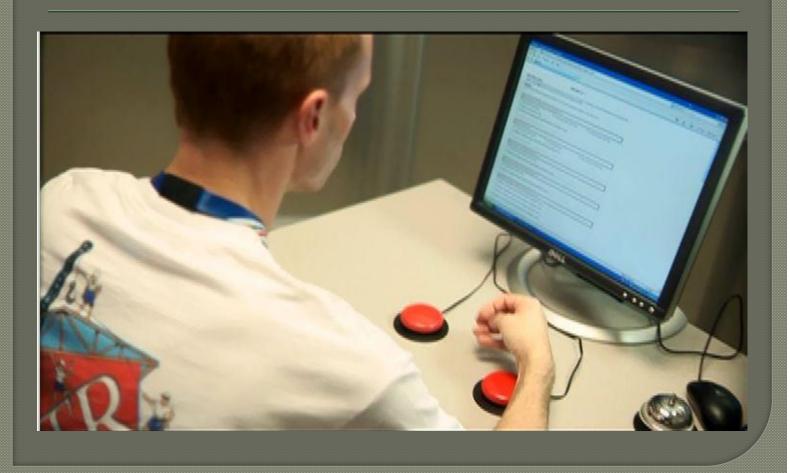
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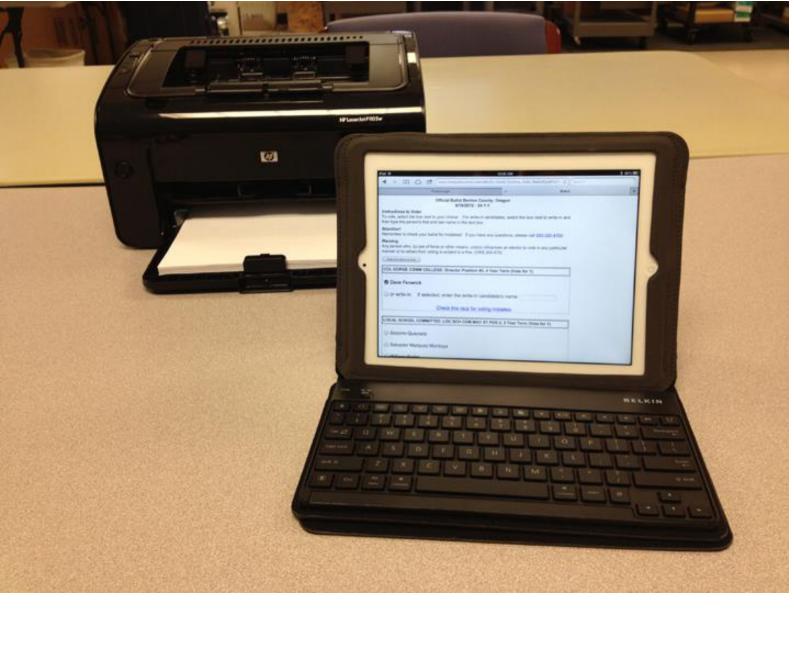
Problems with ACS's

- Purchased in 2007
- Ran Home Version of XP
- Specially configured ZoomText Reader
- Peripheral drivers often not compatible
- Election staff not IT skilled
- Only way to update OS or drivers was to have IT tech physically visit each office
- But ... they worked!

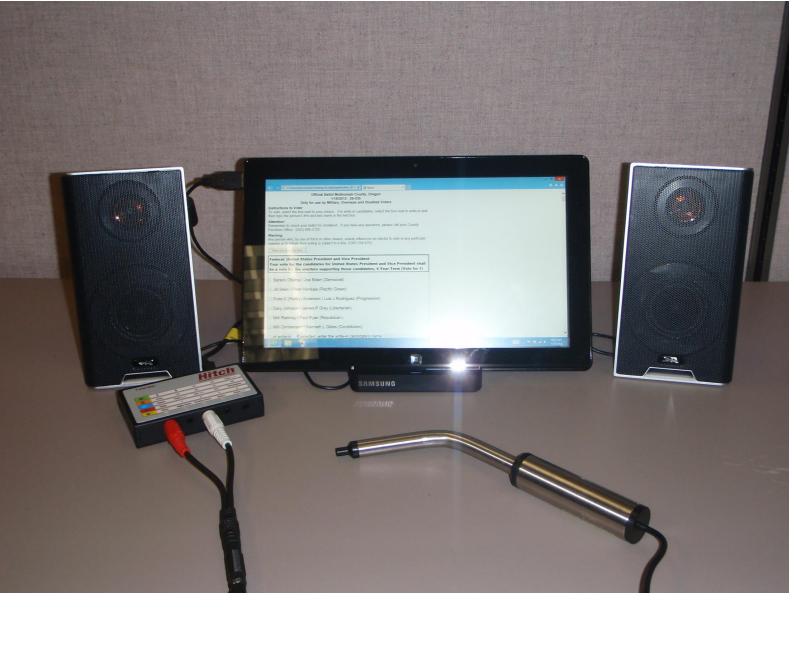
Large Print AFB

- Added a Large Print Ballot in 2009
- 11 x 17 and 8.5 x 14
- 18 point Aphont font
- Voters request LPB as their ballot of choice
- Need for LPB printed ballot growing

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Five Criteria for AFB Platforms

- Device has to have a Browser
- Screen Reader (native or ISV software)
- JavaScript capable and turned on
- Wi-Fi, internet and/or USB connection
- Printer connectivity (USB cable or Wi-Fi)

Summary

- HTML Ballots now being used by UVOCAVA and sighted voters
- Blind and disabled requesting HTML and voting at home on their own devices
- Large Format Ballots fit the older voter's need for traditional paper ballot
- AFB in VBM allows voters to take their time
- Tablet devices are being evaluated

AFB = Voting in Your Bath Robe!





Thoughts Toward the Future

- Flexibility in voting process is essential
- Evolving platforms must enhance process
- Voters prefer voting the way they live their lives mobile/connected or not.
- Unique people = unique needs
- USPS needs to stay in business!
- Voter privacy vs "right to be counted"

Thank You!

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